

**Senate File 2208 - Introduced**

SENATE FILE 2208  
BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 3026)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the confidentiality of an arrest warrant.  
2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 804.29, Code 2011, is amended to read as  
2 follows:

3 **804.29 Confidentiality.**

4 1. All information filed with the court for the purpose of  
5 securing a warrant for an arrest, including but not limited to  
6 a citation and affidavits, shall be a confidential record until  
7 such time as a peace officer has made the arrest and has made  
8 the officer's return on the warrant, or the defendant has made  
9 an initial appearance in court. During the period of time that  
10 information is confidential, ~~it~~ the record shall be sealed by  
11 the court and the information contained ~~therein~~ in the record  
12 shall not be disseminated to any person ~~other than a peace~~  
13 ~~officer, employee of a county attorney's office, magistrate, or~~  
14 ~~another court employee, in the course of official duties.~~

15 2. However, during the period of confidentiality in  
16 subsection 1, the information in the record may be disseminated  
17 during the course of official duties to the following persons:

18 a. A peace officer.

19 b. An employee of the county attorney's office.

20 c. A judicial officer or other court employees.

21 d. An employee of the department of corrections or judicial  
22 district department of correctional services, if authorized by  
23 the director of the department of corrections.

24 EXPLANATION

25 This bill relates to the confidentiality of an arrest  
26 warrant.

27 The bill specifies that information relating to an arrest  
28 warrant shall not be confidential if the defendant has made an  
29 initial appearance in court even if the arresting peace officer  
30 has not returned the warrant.

31 The bill authorizes an employee of the department of  
32 corrections or judicial district department of correctional  
33 services, if authorized by the director of the department of  
34 corrections, to receive confidential information filed with  
35 the court relating to an arrest warrant during the course of

1 official duties of the employee.

2     Current law authorizes a peace officer, an employee of  
3 the county attorney's office, a judicial officer, or court  
4 employees to receive confidential information relating to an  
5 arrest warrant during the course of official duties.